## STATE OF VERMONT PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

Docket No. 8551

Petition of Vermont Electric Cooperative, Inc.,	)
for a declaratory ruling, pursuant to 3 V.S.A.	)
§ 808 and Public Service Board Rule No. 2.403,	)
to declare that a proposed bylaw amendment is	)
inconsistent with law and thus is invalid	
	)

Order entered: 8/28/2015

### PREHEARING CONFERENCE MEMORANDUM AND SCHEDULING ORDER

On August 20, 2015, a prehearing conference was held in this Docket in connection with the petition of Vermont Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("VEC"), requesting the Board to issue a declaratory ruling that a proposed bylaw amendment is inconsistent with law. Megan R. Ludwig, Esq., appeared for the Vermont Department of Public Service ("Department"); and Joslyn L. Wilschek, Esq. of Primmer Piper Eggleston & Cramer PC, and Victoria J. Brown, VEC's General Counsel, appeared for VEC.

At the prehearing conference, VEC submitted a proposed schedule with which the Department agreed. VEC's proposal contemplates alternative schedules based on whether additional parties intervene in this proceeding. The proposed schedule was discussed at the prehearing conference, and certain modifications were agreed to by the parties. In accordance with these scheduling discussions, I hereby adopt the following schedule for this proceeding:

September 4, 2015	Deadline for timely motions to intervene
September 8, 2015	Discovery requests, if any, by Department on VEC
September 11, 2015	Responses to any motions to intervene
September 23, 2015	VEC's responses to Department's discovery requests

### Assuming no additional party or parties --

October 2, 2015	Parties to file proposed litigation schedule, stipulation of
	facts, or memorandum of understanding; Department to
	file brief if there is a stipulation of facts

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October 16, 2015 VEC to file reply brief to any Department brief

# Assuming additional party or parties --

October 9, 2015 Discovery requests, if any, by intervenors on VEC

October 23, 2015 VEC's responses to discovery requests

November 13, 2015 Parties to file a request for technical hearing, a stipulation

of facts and briefs, or a memorandum of understanding

November 30, 2015 Reply Briefs (if briefs are filed on November 13)

If any of the parties request a technical hearing, the date of the technical hearing and the briefing schedule will be determined following such request.

#### SO ORDERED.

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this <u>28<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>August</u>, 2015.

s/Lars Bang-Jensen
Lars Bang-Jensen
Hearing Officer

OFFICE OF THE CLERK

FILED: August 28, 2015

ATTEST: s/Judith C. Whitney
Deputy Clerk of the Board

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